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NEWS RELEASE

United States Attorney Patrick L. Meehan today announced the filing of an indictment¹ charging the defendants named below with theft of government property. Defendant Jeffrey Thomas has also been charged with the transfer of a means of identification with the intent to aid and abet a violation of federal law.

The indictment alleges that between May 1999 and October 2003, at the direction of Thomas, the defendants obtained postage stamps with counterfeit or worthless checks. The indictment also charges that Thomas provided codefendant Allan Francis with a driver's license in the name of another person with intent that it be used to commit a federal crime.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANT

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE OR DATE OF BIRTH
Jeffrey Thomas	410 E. Locust St. Philadelphia, PA	3/11/66
Peter Campbell	2630 W. York St. Philadelphia, PA	6/15/53
Nathan Crawford	4464 N. 3 rd St. Philadelphia, PA	
Ricky Farmer	2444 N. 28 th St. Philadelphia, PA	3/16/59
Allan Francis	4911 Haverford Ave. Philadelphia, PA	9/5/85
Connie Pollard	222 Court Ave. Upper Darby, PA	10/9/64

¹An Indictment or Information is an accusation. A defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE OR DATE OF BIRTH
August Pauline	4600 Fairmount Ave. Philadelphia, PA	12/7/77

If convicted of all charges, the defendants face the following maximum possible sentences:

Jeffrey Thomas - 32 years' imprisonment, a 3-year term of supervised release, a \$540,000 fine, and special assessment of \$925.

Peter Campbell - 4 years' imprisonment, a 3-year term of supervised release, a \$400,000 fine, and special assessment of \$100.

Ricky Farmer - 3 years' imprisonment, a 3-year term of supervised release, a \$300,000 fine, and special assessment of \$75.

Nathan Crawford - 6 years' imprisonment, a 3-year term of supervised release, a \$600,000 fine, and special assessment of \$150.

Allan Francis - 3 years' imprisonment, a 1-year term of supervised release, a \$ 300,000 fine, and special assessment of \$75.

Connie Pollard - 2 years' imprisonment, a 1-year term of supervised release, a \$ 200,000 fine, and special assessment of \$50.

August Pauline - 10 years' imprisonment, a 1-year term of supervised release, a \$1,000,000 fine, and special assessment of \$250.

The case was investigated by the Postal Inspection Service and the Abington Police Department and has been assigned to Assistant United States Attorney Frank R. Costello, Jr.

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